

**Village District of Eidelweiss
Water Advisory Board
Minutes of 1/29/2009 Meeting**

Attendance: Mike Smith, Ralph Lutjen, Mark Graffam, Gloria Aspinall, and Nancy Cole.

At 5:00 pm the meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Smith.

Ralph Lutjen makes a motion to accept the agenda as presented, Mark Graffam seconds the motion and the motion passed.

The minutes of the January 20th, 2009 meeting were reviewed. **Ralph Lutjen makes a motion to accept the minutes. Mark Graffam seconds the motion and the motion passed.**

The minutes of the January 23rd, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Mark Graffam makes a correction to specify open ledge blasting. **Ralph Lutjen makes motion to accept the minutes as amended, Mark Graffam seconds the motion, and the motion passed.**

Mike Smith would like to see George Fadden added to the list of contractor's for bid specifications. **Discussion and agreement from all members to add Fadden to the list.**

Mike reviews presentation for tomorrow night's Bond Hearing. Mike will introduce the Water Advisory Board, Mark will make the power point presentation on the overview of the system, Ralph will handle the financial side of the presentation. For the calculation of the bond payment for presentation purposes, discussion on using round numbers which will be easier to calculate and follow. Variances in the future may be additional users in which to spread out the liability and should interest rates drop.

Discussion turns to potential items that may be brought up during the meeting. Mark believes that the Federal Economic Stimulus Pkg may be brought up. Legislation is being monitored closely as there is a water system infrastructure update as well as a road infrastructure update that is included with this new plan. The Village could qualify for some of this money.

Local political offices are being contacted to make sure we have the most up to date information on how to qualify a project. The project should be listed on the State's list of projects. There will need to be ongoing contact in order to stay on top of the legislation as it becomes available.

Mike asks if a start date for the Jungfrau to Reinach project is included in the specifications, and if there is any way that project may qualify for federal money. Mark points out that since we will already have accepted a bid on the project, that it would be

considered in process and not eligible. This will be expressed at the meeting if it is brought to the floor by someone.

Ralph points out that there are plenty of projects within the Village that could be handled should federal money be available. However, at this point, the package is still within the Senate and there are too many unknowns to seriously discuss. Until the legislation is passed the Senate, there is no way of knowing how much money New Hampshire may receive and if the Village would receive any of it.

Agreement to present the Jungfrau/Reinach forced main water upgrade to the voters tomorrow night and to proceed with this as a stand alone project that would not be reviewed for federal money.

Mark recommends that the bond amount be left as listed at the \$537,000 for now, with the understanding that a bid will have been received and accepted prior to the annual meeting where the actual dollar amount of winning bid will be used.

Ralph points out that someone may bring up the situation of the tanks during the meeting. Mark has this issue covered within his presentation.

There is a meeting scheduled for February 6th, 2009 in Concord on the potential impact for NH through the economic stimulus package currently in the Senate. Agreement that Mike Smith, Ralph Lutjen and Mark Graffam will attend this meeting.

At 6:05pm Mark makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ralph seconds the motion, and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Cole